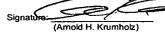
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Application No.: 09/896,795

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Filed: June 29, 2001

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For: MARKING ON ROADS WITH A FIXED: ROAD SURFACE, SUCH AS ASPHALT, CONCRETE OR THE LIKE FOR MOTOR

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 12, 2002, finally rejecting claims 2-4 and 17-22, and objecting to claims 5-16, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

In the Claims

17. (Amended) A surface marking for roads having a fixed road surface, the surface marking comprising:

an adhesive layer of a heat-activatable adhesive material being directly applied and adhered to the fixed road surface; and

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